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Subject: RE: [External] RE: Urgent - Attention Required - 2020-229-E

Importance: High

Jocelyn, JoAnne, David, and David

The attached letter was just filed in this Docket, addressing the contents of the Additional Notice. ORS has received several calls in the last few days from DESC customers who were confused by the language in the original notice. The PSC has received several calls as well, which were ultimately transferred or directed to ORS.

ORS does not typically receive such calls as these regarding a matter pending before the Commission. Many customers did not understand what a tariff was and were concerned it was some sort of tax, and several were confused and concerned as to how this proceeding may affect them. In the attached letter, ORS outlined a couple of items that would be beneficial to include in the Additional Notice to help clear up any confusion that DESC's customers may have.

Please let me know if you have any questions, we appreciate your consideration of our request. If anyone has any concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you!
Jenny

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RE: Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated's Establishment of a Solar Choice
Metering Tariff Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 (See Docket No.
2019-182-E)
Docket No. 2020-229-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

In regard to Commission Order No. 2021-26 issued in the above Docket on January 13th, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") respectfully requests that the Additional Notice to be provided by Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC") to customers include such information so that DESC's customers can more clearly understand the impact of this proceeding. In recent days, ORS has received numerous calls from both net metering and non-participating DESC customers expressing confusion over what will be decided in the Solar Choice Metering docket and how they may be impacted.¹

ORS recommends that the Additional Notice include the following information to assist DESC customers:

1. A signal to the reader of the Additional Notice in the heading or caption including words to indicate specifically the type of adjustment or impact the filing could potentially have on customers. See guidance provided in Order No. 2019-214;
2. A summary or explanation of the Solar Choice Metering Tariff proposed by DESC to include the rates and charges proposed (Subscription fee and any minimum charges); and

¹ Many of these calls originated from DESC customers contacting the PSC for guidance, prior to being transferred or directed to ORS for assistance. Many customers have expressed concerns that the Solar Choice Metering Tariff is a tax.

3. A summary or explanation of how the proposal impacts existing net metering customers and non-participating customers.

Thank you for your time and consideration. ORS has not conferred with any other party of record regarding this request, should there be any concerns please do not hesitate to contact myself or Jeff Nelson.

Sincerely,

s/ Jenny R. Pittman

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cc: David Butler, Esquire (via E-mail)
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